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- 1. Minister President Otto Grotewohl ordered, about the end of July 1952, the establishment of a ministerial board (Kollegium) in each ministry to advise the minister.
- 2. In the Ministry for Metallurgy and Ore Mining, the board is made up of the Minister the State Secretary, four division chiefs (Hauptabteilungsleiter), and a legal adviser. The board holds weekly meetings.

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